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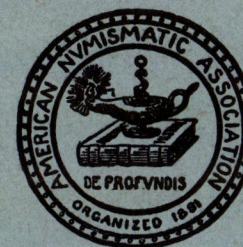
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Wood's Banished Coins of Ireland

By GEORGE A. PIPES, Portland, Ore.

(Paper read at the Annual Convention of the American Numismatic Association, Cleveland, Ohio, August 18 to 23, 1934.)

Collectors of American Colonial coins are all familiar with those pieces known as Wood's Irish series. So far as I can discover, they are the only coins ever banished from the country for which they were issued. But this is only a minor distinction. They are more noteworthy in other respects. Although insignificant in appearance, they achieved a political and literary importance perhaps never equalled by any other coinage before or since. To account for this prominence and to explain the cause of their rejection in Ireland is the subject of this paper.

George I of England desired to increase the revenues of one of the noble ladies of his court who had been superlatively loyal. There was precedent in abundance for such royal generosity, but grumbling taxpayers could sometimes make themselves disagreeable. It therefore seemed politic to one of the King's resourceful counselors that a way should be found by which the expenditures for the duchess might be made without appearing in the royal budget; better still, if the burden for paying them could be borne by those who were powerless to resent it if the fact became known. Let Ireland pay the piper. A means was at last discovered. Her Grace the Duchess of Kendal might be richly benefited from the profits of some public contract in Ireland. The gift could be thus concealed.

Ireland did not particularly need and did not want a large issue of new coppers, but a contract to supply them was the scheme evolved for enriching the King's favorite. A competent manufacturer was found in William Wood, an ironmonger by trade, and he undertook to make copper farthings and halfpence to the amount of about one hundred thousand pounds sterling during a period of fourteen years. This would entail the issuing of about seventy-five million pieces. The arrangement gave him a very liberal profit, as the metal and labor required were far less in cost than the face value of the coins. The royal patent to make these coins was not issued directly to William Wood, as is generally supposed, but was issued directly to the Duchess of Kendal, and by her assigned to Wood for a consideration of ten thousand pounds. That was the share of the profits that went to the duchess, and the payment of this sum to her furnished the whole motive for the issuance of this coinage.

The ironmonger then went to work with a right good will and for about two years stamped out coins in considerable quantities. They are dated 1722, 1723 and 1724. All would have gone well but for a certain unhappy literary genius, one Jonathan Swift, the most famous satyrist of the eighteenth century. It was a piece of ill luck for the promoters of the scheme that Swift was then in Ireland. Because of his boldness, his cleverness and his biting sarcasm, he had been starved out of England, where he had been a political and literary figure of great distinction and had been practically banished to live in comparative obscurity in Ireland as Dean of St. Patrick's.

Swift, smarting under his disappointment, and obsessed with malice toward the English ministry which had been instrumental in his downfall, welcomed an opportunity to get back at his enemies. He learned of the questionable contract for the Irish coinage. Here was his chance. He immediately began the publication of a series of letters exposing the corrupt agreement and holding the coins themselves up to ridicule. These letters were addressed to various tradesmen and to people of all classes, from the peasant to the noble. They were so inflammatory in character as to arouse the greatest indignation among the people.

Swift concealed his identity in the nom de plume of M. B. Drapier, assuming the character of a small tradesman. These published letters made their first appearance in April, 1724, and were repeated from time to time until November of the same year. Although he wrote under an assumed name, it was soon known that Swift was the author. No one else could have written so furiously and so effectually. After a time the whole country was in an uproar. The forcing upon the nation of these coins was regarded as an act



Obverse and Reverse of the Farthing.



Obverse and three Reverses of the Halfpenny.

of tyranny upon the part of the English Crown. The resentment was the more intense because it was well understood that the contract for the coinage was made as a means of paying the wages of sin. A principle was involved. The feeling inspired was not unlike that which actuated the American colonists in violent opposition to the English Government, culminating in the Revolutionary War. Whatever dissensions existed among the Irish were temporarily quieted that they might make common cause against this new oppression symbolized by Wood's Irish halfpence. "Money, the great divider of the world, hath by a strange revolution been the great uniter of a most divided people." This was Swift's comment upon the situation.

At about the time the first Drapier letter was published, Swift addressed a letter to Lord Cartaret, his good friend, who lately had been appointed Lord Lieutenant for Ireland. In this letter he requested the Lord Lieutenant to employ his good offices in putting an end to the patent granted for making the coins. He commented upon the great dissatisfaction which existed in Ireland concerning it. He said, in part: "Your Excellency knows the unanimous sentiments of the Parliament here upon that matter; and upon

inquiry you will find that there is not one person of any rank or party in this whole kingdom who does not look upon that patent as the most ruinous project that ever was contrived against any nation."

The following October Cartaret landed in Dublin. He arrived on the very day that the fiercest and most seditious of the Drapier's letters was published. Officially he had to take notice of this and offered a reward of three hundred pounds for information leading to the discovery of the author of the letter. While the reward was so posted Swift was a frequent guest at the home of Cartaret. Everyone, including Cartaret himself, knew perfectly well that Swift was the author, but no one would consent to inform against him. The incident did not cause the slightest rift in the friendship between Swift and Cartaret.

Finally the country was so aroused by the denunciation and ridicule of Swift that Sir Robert Walpole, Prime Minister of England, fearing serious trouble in Ireland, suffered the humiliation for himself and for his King of having to repudiate a royal patent. The contract for making the coins was cancelled early in 1725. That ended the coining of Wood's Irish copper. Wood himself was compensated for the loss of his contract by being granted a pension of three thousand pounds a year for a period of twelve years, the unexpired term of his patent.

Upon the cancellation of the patent there was a general rejoicing in Ireland. The affair was regarded as a successful revolt against the tyranny of the English Crown. Swift became a national hero in Ireland. Medals were struck in his honor. His name was on every lip, and he was honored as one who had the hardihood to flout the English throne in the noble cause of liberty. His compatriots little dreamed he did not care a rap for Ireland and that his motive for championing its cause was one mixed between a desire for retaliation against his own enemies and an inherent love of making a fuss. However, the episode redounded greatly to his fame.

Swift enjoyed his controversy so exceedingly he continued the fight even after the battle had been won. He published a series of verses of ridicule, aimed principally at William Wood, with occasional slurs at Walpole and the Duchess of Kendal. These poems, though supposed to be humorous, are characterized by a "plentiful lack of wit." They are not worthy of so great a man as their author. After the fashion of his time he tried to express in verse what could be said much better in prose. The titles of these poems found in Swift's published works are: "Wood an Insect," "Epigram on Wood's Brass," "On Wood the Ironmonger," "A New Song on Wood's Halfpence," "A Serious Poem Upon William Wood," "A Smile on Our Want of Silver," "Prometheus," and lastly, "Will Wood's Petition to the Irish People." In this poem suggestions were made of a diversity of base uses in which the coins might be employed.

It was Swift's distinguished disapproval of Wood's coins that is chiefly responsible for the prominence they have been given in world literature. Through this means there is preserved for posterity the story of their origin and their ignominious reception. This story has become a part of Swift's biography. It is stressed in Pope's laudatory poem on Swift in the following lines:

Oh, thou, whatever title please thine ear,
Dean, Drapier, Bickerstaff or Gulliver!
Whether thou choose Cervantes' serious air,
Or laugh and shake in Rabelais' easy chair,
Or praise the court or magnify mankind,
Or thy grieved country's copper chains unbind.

After the minting of the "copper chains" had ceased it was found useless to attempt to put in circulation what remained on hand. To do so would have been a continuing offense. What to do with them presented a problem. Finally a solution was found. They could be placed beyond a stretch of ocean to deafen any further cries of protest that might arise. The coins were readily accepted in the American colonies, where as exiles from the Old World they flourished in the new. As it was said of the prophets of old, they were not without honor save in their own country.

Rarity vs. Price

By H. D. GIBBS, Pittsburgh, Pa.

(Paper read before the Pittsburgh Coin Club, July 12, 1934.)

One of the commonest questions asked numismatists is: "What makes a coin rare?" What most people mean by this question is: "What makes a coin sell for a high price?", and there is no relation between the two.

Coins are seldom high priced simply because they are rare, as many really rare coins sell for very little. A coin is high-priced because of the popularity of the particular series to which it belongs and the amount of advertisement and the number of collectors who desire a certain specimen to fill out their collection.



SPOLETO, 5 baiocco, Pius VI, 1791.



ANGOLA, 1 macuta, Michael I, 1831.



PORTUGAL, 10 reis, Henry I (1578-80). One of the rarest copper coins in existence.

Many American catalogues fairly bristle with the descriptions "Rare," "Very Rare," or "Extremely Rare," and I sometimes wonder if we American collectors know what these terms mean. Experienced European cataloguers seldom use them, and when they do, the piece is invariably illustrated and seldom found in any but great collections. Specific examples of the differ-



PORTUGAL, 10 reis, Philip I (1580-98). It is said only one specimen is known in America, and only two in Europe. Struck during the Spanish Occupation.



PORTUGUESE AFRICA, real, Emmanuel I (1495-1521).



PORTUGUESE AFRICA, half macuta, Michael I, 1831.



PORTUGAL, 1½ reis, Alphonso VI, 1659. A fine specimen. Few known in any condition.



MEXICO, ¼ real, Charles and Joanna (1536-56). A very fine specimen of an extremely rare coins.



MALACCA (under Portugal), bastardo, Emmanuel I (1495-1521). Struck in tin (very thick). A real rarity.



ITALY, pattern soldo, Napoleon I, 1807. Unpublished. Only two known.



DAMAO, bazaruco, Peter II, 1693.



SAGADOURA (Moldavia and Wallachia), para or 30 denga, Catherine II of Russia, 1771.



DAMAO, half bazaruco, Peter II, 1693.

ence between rarity and high price are illustrated in the small display shown here, where there has been chosen at random a few foreign copper coins which rightly deserve the description "Rare." No other single collection in the world contains specimens of all these coins. In some cases only two or three are known. In most cases no more than ten are known.

For a comparison, we mention the 1799 United States cent, which, if offered for sale in an American catalogue would call for considerable descriptive matter and would be listed as "Very Rare." As a matter of fact, a 1799 cent in any but very unusual condition is far from rare. I would venture to say that if five hundred sales catalogues covering the past twenty years were carefully checked, not a single one of them containing a collection of any considerable value which included United States coins would fail to show from one to five 1799 cents for sale.

On the other hand, it is doubtful if more than two or three of the foreign copper coins illustrated here would be found offered in the same five hundred sales; in fact, as far as I know, most of these have never been offered in any public sale, and yet not a single one of them cost nearly as much as the 1799 cent.

Please do not misunderstand. I am not condemning the collectors who specialize in any series. I collect and admire a beautiful copper penny as much as anyone, but I believe we American collectors are overlooking the wonderful opportunities to be found in the foreign copper coins, many of which portray history in a manner not found elsewhere, and when we consider the great number of varieties, series and denominations which can be purchased for a small sum, it is hard to understand why this series is not more popular, and it has always seemed to me that we collectors may be discouraging young collectors by displaying a series of United States coins which offer very little variety except date and emphasize the rarity and cost of such specimens. And when I see the tremendous number of stamp collectors and note the rapid growth of stamp collecting, it makes me wonder if we would not do more to encourage beginners by displaying to their eyes a beautiful collection of historical, interesting and inexpensive foreign coppers which can often be purchased for a few cents each, and by beginning in this small way plant the germ of real numismatics, which may later develop an interest in the more expensive and popular United States coins.

To properly collect any coins requires study, investigation, research, and constant seeking after information, and there is no better way to arouse a real collector instinct than to have a specimen which cannot be properly classified at a glance and which requires some study, as such desire obviously leads to deeper and deeper interests in the subject.

Alliance Rolling Mill Company

By WALDO C. MOORE.

The Alliance (Ohio) Rolling Mill Company began business in 1866 and continued until the panic of 1873. It was a puddling mill, with John Hunter, a fine, public-spirited citizen, as president; William Edwards, general manager, and David Pembroke, head puddler.

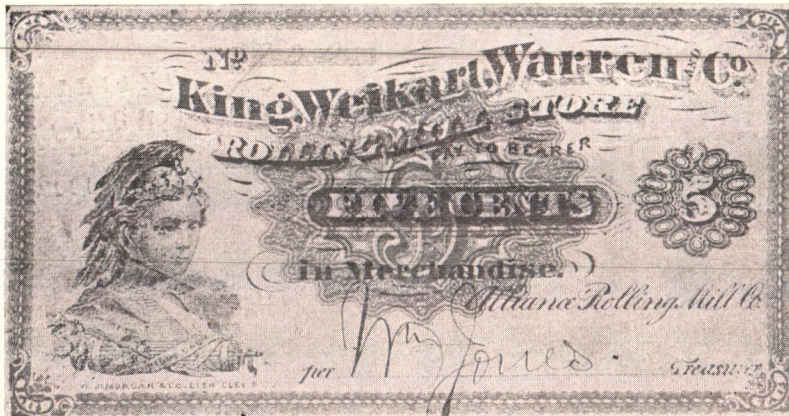
The old rolling mill was situated on East Broadway, near the C. & P. Railway tracks, which is the present location of the Alliance branch of the American Steel Foundries. When the mill failed it was purchased by J. T. Weybrecht, pioneer lumber dealer, of Alliance, who sold enough old iron to more than make the purchase price. The Weybrecht lumber yards are today on the opposite side of the street from the American Steel Foundries.

The Rolling Mills issued scrip due to condition brought about by the panic of 1873. This scrip was issued in denominations of five cents upward, and eventually and partially caused the failure of the mill and also the dry goods firm of King, Weikart, Warren & Co., which was located in a two-story building on Freeman Avenue and Main Street, the present location of the Alliance First National Bank.

The store of King, Weikart, Warren & Co. was also known as the "Bee Hive Dry Goods Store," "The Boys Store," also "The Rolling Mill Store." This last was due to the fact that U. S. Weikart, one of the partners, was a son-in-law of John Hunter.

There is available a hand-bill of King, Weikart and Warren, dated December 31, 1874, offering for sale an \$8,000 bankrupt stock of boots and shoes, including items for ladies and children, which the firm had purchased at a forced sale.

Samuel Lane, of Alliance, a friend of John Hunter, states that the Rolling Mill scrip was in circulation in 1873 and possibly 1874, and that Mr. Hunter resided on Arch Avenue directly opposite the present Carnegie Library.



The Alliance Rolling Mill scrip was the product of W. J. Morgan Company, Cleveland, organized in 1866, later changing to the Morgan Lithograph Company, and in 1933 to the Morgan Lithograph Corporation. The vignette of the girl on the Rolling Mill five-cent denomination also appears on the 1871 and the 1873 two-dollar issues of Nes-Silicon Steel Company, Sandusky, Ohio, also the product of the W. J. Morgan Company, Cleveland.

The Insignia and Medals of the Aztec Club of 1847

By MAJOR EDGAR ERSKINE HUME, U. S. Army,

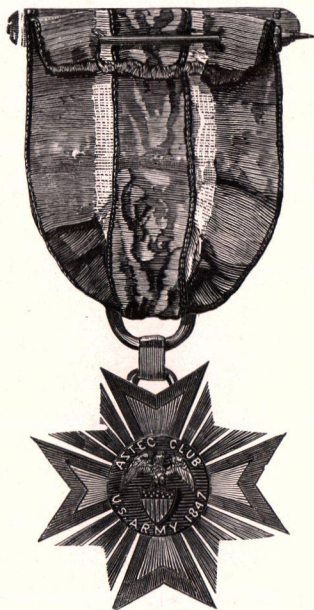
Formerly Secretary of the Aztec Club of 1847.

The second oldest military society in the United States is the Aztec Club of 1847. Its name indicates its age. On October 13, 1847, as soon as the United States Army was quietly established in the City of Mexico, during our war with that country, a meeting of officers was called with a view to forming a club and opening a clubhouse for the entertainment of its members and their guests while in the city. The original home of the Club was the handsome residence of Señor Boca Negra, who had formerly been Mexican Minister to the United States. This, the Club's records show, "was located in one of the streets leading out of the Calle Plateros, and not far from the headquarters of General Winfield Scott, Commander-in-Chief." After some difficulty, due to the names of streets having often been changed, two members of the Club living in Mexico, Mr. Edmund Kirby-Smith and Major Otto Holstein, were able to fix the site in 1931. It is now at the corner of the Avenues Cinco de Mayo and Isabel la Catolica, the building being still in excellent preservation, though no longer in the most desirable residential section of the Mexican capital.

The Club flourished as long as the Army of Occupation was in Mexico, under the presidency of Major-General John A. Quitman, its commander. When the Army returned to the United States it was proposed to continue the Club, "desiring to preserve some lasting memorial of the pleasure and advantages derived from this institution that may serve for all time as an additional bond of friendship and brotherhood among its members." The officers were continued in office for a period of five years so that a perma-

nent organization might be effected at home. At the time of the withdrawal of the Army from Mexico the Club consisted of 160 members and two honorary members (Major-General Winfield Scott and Brigade Chaplain John McCarty).

In 1852 a new election of officers took place and a permanent organization was effected. Soon thereafter "a commemoration badge was designed for transmission to living members and to the families of those deceased." It was decided in 1871 to admit to membership officers who had served in any part of Mexico during the war. In 1882 it was decided that officers who had been killed in battle or died of wounds in Mexico before the formation of the Club might, upon application of a son or nearest blood relative, be admitted to the roll of membership, to be represented by such son or nearest blood relative, after his nomination and election by the Club. In 1887 it was decided that any deceased officer who had served in Mexico during the war might in the same way be admitted to the roll. The revised constitution of 1888 fixed the name of the Club as The Aztec Club of 1847, to be continued in perpetuity, the basis of membership being personal ser-



Obverse.



Reverse.

Insignia of Aztec Club of 1847.

vice in some part of Mexico as an officer during the war with that country. Officers of the Navy and Marine Corps who served in Mexican waters are also eligible. Officers who had so served were known as Primary Members. Their eldest sons or nearest blood relatives, who it may be remarked were eligible even during the lifetime of the Primary Members, were known as Representative Members. Each Representative Member was given the right to nominate his son or other blood relative, who, upon reaching the age of twenty-one, might be admitted to the Club as an Associate Member. On the death of a Representative Member his Associate Member automatically becomes a Representative Member and in turn has the right to name his Associate. Thus the Club has continued its existence. The last Primary Member was Brigadier-General Horatio Gates Gibson, U. S. A., who died on April 18, 1924, being the last surviving officer of the Mexican War and the oldest living West Point graduate at the time of his death. He had served in Mexico as a Second Lieutenant.

It will be observed that the principle of hereditary membership is essentially that which had been established by the Society of the Cincinnati sixty-four years earlier. The only difference is that both a Representative and an Associate member may be on the Club's rolls at the same time, and the Representative Member has the right to select his successor from among his blood kin, though the Club reserves the right to reject any individual not personally acceptable. It is not to be wondered at that the Aztec Club followed the precedents of the Society of the Cincinnati. When the Club was formed some of the original members of the Cincinnati were still living and their Society was well known to the officers instituting the Aztec Club. Indeed, not a few of the founders of the Club were sons or grandsons of original members of the Cincinnati. For example, Major-General Zachary Taylor was the son of Lieutenant-Colonel Richard Taylor, Captain Robert E. Lee was the son of Colonel Henry Lee ("Light Horse Harry"), and Captain Henry Heth was a grandson of another Captain Henry Heth, all three original members of the Society of the Cincinnati in the State of Virginia.

The badge selected by the Club after its return from Mexico consists of a Maltese Cross in gold, measuring $1\frac{1}{4}$ inches in height, between the arms of which are three rays of gold extending from the center toward the margin. The border of the cross is, on the obverse, enameled in blue, and in the center there is a disc $\frac{1}{2}$ inch in diameter, enameled in red and bearing a shield of the arms of the United States, surmounted by an eagle with outspread wings. Above is the inscription: **Aztec Club** and, below, the words: **U. S. Army, 1847**. The reverse of the cross is enameled in white, except the margin which is of gold. The central disc is enameled in green and bears the Mexican Eagle with a serpent in its beak and its talons grasping branches of cactus. Above are the words: **City of Mexico**, and below, **Army of Occupation**. The cross is suspended from a striking ribbon consisting of a central stripe of green $\frac{1}{2}$ inch in width, bordered by bands of white each $\frac{1}{8}$ inch in width and the whole edged with bands of blue $\frac{5}{16}$ inch in width. The drawings of the insignia are printed from the original woodcuts belonging to the Aztec Club, kindly loaned for publication here.

At the time the badge was established the Club likewise adopted a metal button to be worn in civilian clothing as a means of recognition. This is a gold disc $\frac{7}{16}$ inch in diameter, enameled in three equal parts, red, green and white, the colors being separated by wavy lines. The button is inscribed **Aztec Club 1847**, the three words falling on the red, green and white sections respectively.

In 1893 the Club adopted a silk rosette of red, white and green, for optional wear by the members. It will be observed that the colors of the rosette were taken from those of the metal button rather than from the ribbon from which the cross is suspended. This somewhat anomalous condition was changed by vote of the Club in 1923, and a rosette of the colors of the Club's ribbon, blue, white, green was adopted. The metal button is still authorized.

At the meeting on October 13, 1892, Colonel DeLancy Floyd-Jones, one of the Primary Members, presented the Club with a beautiful replica in silver of a Mexican teocalli, or temple of worship. The replica is of one of the truncated pyramids, about the base of which are cacti and other Mexican plants. It measures about two feet across each side of the base and is about eighteen inches high. It was made by Tiffany & Company of New York. On one side of the base is the inscription, **Aztec Club of 1847**, and on the opposite side, **Presented by Colonel De Lancy Floyd-Jones, United States Army**. This splendid keepsake is placed, with appropriate ceremonies, before the presiding officer at each meeting of the Aztec Club, and during the intervals between meetings is on display in the National Museum in Washington.

In 1897 the Club celebrated the fiftieth anniversary with the largest meeting that had been held since leaving Mexico. It was held at Sherry's, in New York City, and eleven Primary Members, who had seen service in Mexico, were among those present. To commemorate the occasion the Club presented to each member a medal which had been struck by Tiffany & Company of New York. The medal was suspended from the official ribbon of the Club and had a bar pin so that it could be worn, though apparently it was not intended that this should be done. The ribbon differs slightly from the approved pattern in that the blue stripes are light instead of dark.

The medal is of dull bronze measuring $1 \frac{7}{16}$ inches in diameter and $\frac{5}{32}$ inch in thickness. The obverse bears the arms of the Club, namely, quarterly, first, the eagle of the United States with thirteen stars in two semi-circles above; second, the emblems of the Corps of Engineers, the Adjutant General's Department and the Artillery Corps in pale (respectively, a turreted castle, the shield of the United States, and a field gun and ammunition); third, crossed rifle, carbine, sword and sabre; fourth, the Mexican Eagle perched on a branch of cactus leaves, and holding a serpent in its beak, for crest an Aztec teocalli, above which is a sun in splendor with rays extending about the same. Below the shield are crossed branches of oak leaves (left) and palm leaves (right). The legend is: * **Aztec Club. Mexico . October A. D. 1847 * Societas Belli.**

The reverse depicts the silver teocalli presented to the Club by Col. Floyd-Jones as above related. Above are the words: **October . 13 . 1847,** and below: **October . 13 . 1897.** Below this is the maker's name: **Tiffany & Co.**

One of the medals was struck for each member of the Club, his name being engraved on the rim. The Club instructed that the dies for the medal be destroyed, and in the following May this was done.



Medal for Fiftieth Anniversary of Aztec Club of 1847.

When the Aztec Club was founded there existed in the United States only one other military society composed of officers who had served in a foreign war, and the membership requirement for which was such service or descent from such officers—the Society of the Cincinnati. The roll of the Club's members contains many of the most illustrious names which have adorned our military history. Everyone knows that the Mexican War served as a training ground for the officers of both sides in the terrible war to follow fourteen years later in 1861. The leading figures in that struggle had won their spurs in Mexico, and among them we find, as members of the Aztec Club of 1847, the following Union officers:

General U. S. Grant, who served in Mexico as a Captain.
 General William T. Sherman, who served in Mexico as a Captain.
 Admiral David G. Farragut, who served in Mexican waters as a Commander.
 Admiral David D. Porter, who served in Mexican waters as a Lieutenant.
 Major-General Joseph Hooker, who served in Mexico as a Captain.
 Major-General George G. Meade, who served in Mexico as a Second Lieutenant.
 Major-General John F. Reynolds, who served in Mexico as a First Lieutenant.
 Major-General Winfield S. Hancock, who served in Mexico as a Second Lieutenant.
 Major-General George B. McClellan, who served in Mexico as a Captain.
 Major-General John A. Logan, who served in Mexico as a Second Lieutenant.
 Major-General FitzJohn Porter, who served in Mexico as a First Lieutenant.
 Major-General Philip Kearny, who served in Mexico as a Captain.

Among the prominent Confederate officers who were members of the Club may be mentioned:

General Robert E. Lee, who served in Mexico as a Captain.
 General P. Gustave T. Beauregard, who served in Mexico as a First Lieutenant.
 General Joseph E. Johnstone, who served in Mexico as a Lieutenant-Colonel.

General E. Kirby-Smith, who served in Mexico as a Second Lieutenant.
 Lieutenant-General Simon Bolivar Buckner, who served in Mexico as a Captain.
 Lieutenant-Colonel James Longstreet, who served in Mexico as a First Lieutenant.
 Lieutenant-General Richard S. Ewell, who served in Mexico as a First Lieutenant.
 Lieutenant-General William J. Hardee, who served in Mexico as a Captain.
 Lieutenant-General John C. Pemberton, who served in Mexico as a First Lieutenant.
 Major-General George E. Pickett, who served in Mexico as a Captain.
 Major-General John B. Magruder, who served in Mexico as a Captain.
 Major-General Henry Heth, who served in Mexico as a Captain.

The ranks held in Mexico, above given, do not include brevets for bravery which were given to nearly all of these officers. Three members have been Presidents of the United States, Zachary Taylor, Franklin Pierce and Ulysses S. Grant, and one, Jefferson Davis, of the Confederate States, all officers of the Mexican War, and many other positions, civil as well as military, have been held by members of the Aztec Club. A member, Major Theodore O'Hara, later to serve as a Confederate Colonel, was the author of the greatest martial poem America has produced, "The Bivouac of the Dead," which he read at the burial in his native Frankfort, Kentucky, of the officers and men who had fallen in Mexico. Who can forget the stirring lines:

The muffled drum sad roll has beat
 The soldier's last tattoo;
 No more on life's parade shall meet
 That brave and fallen few.
 On fame's eternal camping ground
 Their silent tents are spread,
 And Glory guards with solemn round
 The Bivouac of the Dead.

The Club, though not large, has numbered on its rolls an extraordinarily large number of senior military and naval officers, including six Generals, two Admirals, five Lieutenant-Generals, one Vice-Admiral, seventy Major-Generals, twelve Rear-Admirals, seventy-nine Brigadier-Generals and four Commodores.



Medal for Seventy-fifth Anniversary.

In 1922, to celebrate the seventy-fifth anniversary of the foundation of the Club, a bronze commemorative medal was struck. It is similar in finish and size to the fiftieth anniversary medal, but is not suspended from a ribbon. The obverse is of the same design as the former medal. The reverse bears two rattlesnakes with their heads entwined, and in the middle of the medal, the dates: **October 13, 1847, October 13, 1922**, and, below, branches of cactus. The medal was struck by A. Bacqueville of Paris, and distributed upon subscription to members of the Club. The dies have been preserved by the Club.

There are some 233 members in the Club today. The present officers are: President, Mr. Severo Mallet-Prevost of New York (who, it is interesting to note, is descended from an officer of the Mexican Army as well as from an officer of the United States Army in the Mexican War); Vice-President, Col. J. F. Reynolds Landis, U. S. A., of Washington; Treasurer, Mr. Leonard L. Nicholson of Washington; Secretary, Mr. Conway B. Hunt of Washington. The Club, which has no branches, meets on alternate years in Washington and in New York City.

Descriptive List of Obsolete Paper Money

By D. C. WISMER, Hatfield, Pa.

PART I—Embracing the Circulating Notes Issued by State Banks, Private Banks, Bankers and Corporations.

Abbreviations { R.—Right end illustration.
C.—Central illustration on note.
L.—Left end illustration.

(The publication of this list was begun June, 1922.)

(CONTINUED FROM LAST MONTH.)

TENNESSEE.

Tennessee was admitted into the Union as one of the United States of America in 1796, when North Carolina relinquished her rights to the territory now comprising the State of Tennessee, by an Act made legal by the Congress of the U. S., and approved by George Washington.

ATHENS.

Bank of Tennessee, Branch. (1849, Circulation, \$200,795.)

1. \$1. C., title, two allegorical figures representing Commerce and Industry. R., girl carrying grain, 1 above. L., sailor erect, 1 above. 1861.

Farmers and Exchange Bank, Charleston, S. C., Agency.

(G. W. Ross, Agent, 1858.)

Planters Bank of Tennessee, Branch. (1857, Capital, \$150,000.)

2. \$2. No description.

BROWNSVILLE.

Agricultural Bank. (Organized in 1854. Failed 1859.)



No. 10.

3. \$1. C., group of Indians. R., Southern scene, 1 above. L., hay-makers, 1 above.
4. \$1. C., oxen and cows, dog's head below. R., ONE, 1 above, State arms below. L., Ceres seated, ONE below. 1855.
5. \$1. No description.

6. \$2. C., Indian on horseback hunting buffaloes. R., reapers, 2 above. L., 2, TWO above, ships below.
7. \$2. C., cattle. R., allegorical figure, TWO above, 2 below. L., State arms, TWO above and below. 1855.
8. \$2. No description.
9. \$5. C., portrait of Washington. R., two men, woman and building, 5 above. L., two Indians, V above.
10. \$5. C., Ceres. R., shepherd, dog and sheep, 5 below. L., farmer sharpening scythe, FIVE above, State arms below. 1855.
11. \$5. No description.

Bank of America.

12. \$5. No description.
13. \$5. No description.

Bank of Tennessee, Branch (Third Bank).

CHATTANOOGA.

Alabama and Chattanooga Rail Road Company.

14. 25c. L., flock of chickens. 25 in green.
15. 33 1/3 c. L., ducks beside stream. 33 1/3 in red.

Bank of Chattanooga. (Chartered 1854. 1857, Capital \$212,000.)



No. 31.

16. \$1. C., train. R., Justice, 1 above. L., cotton plant, 1 above, ONE below.
17. \$1. C., title, 1 each side. R., 1, ONE above and below. L., ONE across. 1861.
18. \$1. Similar to No. 17, excepting ONE in blue on face of note.
19. \$2. C., allegorical figure each side of a portrait of Calhoun. R., State arms, 2 above, TWO below. L., oval arms, 2 above and below.
20. \$2. C., allegorical representation of Commerce. R., TWO DOLLARS across. L., TWO across. TWO in green. 1861.
21. \$3. C., steamboat Chattanooga. R., road scene, 3 above. L., train moving under an arched bridge, 3 above.
22. \$3. C., allegorical representation of Agriculture. R., THREE across. L., ship, THREE above and below. THREE in red. 1862.
23. \$5. C., an angel offering apple to allegorical figure on right, Ceres on left. R., 5 above. L., figure beside pedestal holding oval bearing medallion head.
24. \$5. Similar to No. 23, excepting FIVE in red lower center. 1858.
25. \$10. C., passenger train. R., "Redeemable at the Bank of Memphis" on red die, 10 above. L., X, 10 above. 1857. Large portrait of Washington on reverse.
26. \$10. C., title; TEN below. R., cotton plants, palmetto trees and rice fields, 10 above. L., group of five figures, X above. 1858.

- 27. \$10. Similar to No. 26, excepting TEN in red lower center. 1861.
- 28. \$10. No description.
- 29. \$20. C., title, TWENTY on red die below. R., "Redeemable at the Bank of Memphis" on red die, X above, young lady below. L., steamboat, cupid above, 20 below.
- 30. \$20. C., title. R., allegorical representation of Agriculture, 20 above. L., allegorical representation of Commerce and Industry, TWENTY above.
- 31. \$20. Similar to No. 30, excepting TWENTY in red. 1858.
- 32. \$50. C., negro driving three yoke of oxen. R., male portrait, 50 above. L., "Redeemable at the Bank of Memphis" on red die, 50 above.
- 33. \$50. C., portrait of a girl. R., Goddess of Plenty, 50 above. L., Ceres, 50 above.
- 34. \$100. C., view of Battle of New Orleans. R., "Redeemable at the Bank of Memphis" on red die, 100 above. L., male portrait, C above and below.
- 35. \$100. C., 100 on lathework. R., portrait of lady, 100 above. L., Liberty beside shield, eagle, 100 above.

Bank of East Tennessee, Branch. (In existence in 1854.)

- 36. \$1. C., portrait of Jackson. R., Industry seated, mechanics, 1 above. L., ONE, 1 on shield above, 1 below. Red back. 1855.
- 37. \$2. C., title, Justice seated below. R. and L., portrait of a young lady, TWO 2 TWO above. 1855. Red back.
- 38. \$3. C., State arms. R. and L., THREE DOLLARS on 3, THREE above. Red back. 1855.
- 39. \$5. C., title. R., Ceres seated in large ornamental V. L., farmer seated in large ornamental V. Red back.
- 40. \$5. C., Roman Senator, building in background. R., portrait of Clay, V above and below. L., FIVE across. 1854.
- 41. \$5. C., angel offering an apple to figure on right, Ceres on left. R., FIVE above. L., Liberty erect. 1855. Red back.
- 42. \$10. C., title. R., male portrait, medallion heads above and below. L., portrait of Calhoun, medallion heads above and below. Red back. 1855.
- 43. \$20. C., steamboat East Tennessee. R., portrait of Calhoun, XX above, 20 below. L., portrait of Franklin, XX above, 20 below. 1854.
- 44. \$20. C., title. R., Bacchus, 20 above, XX below. L., medallion head, 20 above, XX below. Red back. 1855.

Bank of Tennessee, Branch. (Third Bank.)

Chattanooga Savings Institution. (In business in 1861.)

Lookout Savings Bank. (In business in 1861.)

Union Bank of Tennessee, Branch.

(Act passed to establish this Branch 2nd Jan., 1850.)

- 45. \$20. C., oval surmounted by spread eagle, Liberty on right, Ceres on left; steamboat each side. R. and L., figure of Industry, 20 above and below. 1850.

CLARKSVILLE.

Bank of America, Parent Bank.

(Chartered 1850. Commenced business in 1856. Suspended in 1858.)

- 46. \$5. C., tobacco plant on shield, Liberty right, Ceres left. R., portrait, 5 above. L., portrait of Jackson, V above.
- 47. \$5. Similar to No. 46, excepting FIVE in red.
- 48. \$5. Similar to No. 46, excepting background red-cycloidal.

49. \$10. C., State arms surmounted by a bust, Continental soldier on right, Liberty on left. R., portrait of young lady, 10 above. L., male portrait, X above.
50. \$10. Similar to No. 49, excepting background red-cycloidal.
51. \$20. C., farmer at lunch. R. and L., portrait, 20 above.
52. \$50. C., spread eagle and shield on top of globe, in clouds. R. and L., male portrait, 50 above.
53. \$100. No description.
54. \$100. C., portrait, Indian on right, lady seated on left. R., 100, C above and below. L., male portrait, 100 above.

Bank of the State of Tennessee, Branch. (First Bank. Established 1817.)

Bank of Tennessee, Branch. (Third Bank.)

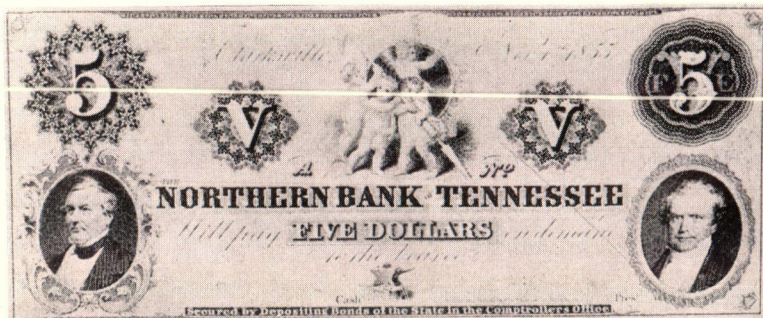
55. \$1. Similar to No. 1.

Kennedy and Glenn, Bankers.

Northern Bank of Tennessee.

(Established in 1854. The notes of this bank were paid in gold up to the fall of Fort Donelson, at which time it closed its active business until 1865, when it resumed business at its old banking house. Oldest bank in Tennessee.)

56. \$1. C., Indian princess, distant steamship. R., Liberty, ONE on 1 above, ONE below. L., woman seated holding child viewing reapers in distance, 1 on ONE above. 1855.
57. \$2. C., men puddling iron. R., Ceres, 2 above. L., TWO, 2 above and below. 1855.



No. 58.

58. \$5. C., five cherubs with lance and shield. R., portrait, 5 on FIVE on V above. L., portrait of Fillmore, 5 above. 1855.

Planters Bank of Tennessee, Branch. (1857, capital \$150,000.)

59. 10c. C., title. R., 10 below. Red design on reverse. 1862.

CLEVELAND.

Ocoee Bank. (Chartered 1854. Capital \$130,000 in 1857.)

60. \$1. C., men at work in a mine. R., 1 above and below. L., hunter seated on a log, dog nearby, ONE above. 1854.
61. \$1. C., two Indians and a squaw on cliff. R. and L., similar to No. 60.
62. \$1. Similar to No. 61, excepting ONE in red. 1859.
63. \$1. C., train. R., TENNESSEE across. L., ONE DOLLAR across. Black and green print. 1862.

64. \$2. C., Indians in a canoe, trees and mountains in background. R. and L., male portrait. 1854.
 65. \$2. Similar to No. 64, excepting TWO in red. 1860.
 66. \$2. Similar to No. 63, excepting denomination. 1862.
 67. \$5. C., train. R. and L., male portrait, 5 above.
 68. \$5. C., scene at mill door. R., FIVE, 5 above. L., 5 above and below.
 69. \$10. C., Indian seated on cliff. R., negro picking cotton, 10 above. L., girl's portrait, TEN above and below.
 70. \$10. C., male portrait. R., plank road view, TEN above. L., train at depot, X below. 1854.
 71. \$20. C., male portrait. R., mechanic seated, 20 above. L., boys and cartload of hay, TWENTY in upper corner, XX below. 1854.

COLUMBIA.

Agricultural Bank.

Bank of the State of Tennessee, Branch. (First Bank. Established 1817.)

Bank of Tennessee, Branch. (Third Bank.)

Union Bank of Tennessee, Branch. (1857, capital \$150,000.)

DANDRIDGE.

Bank of Jefferson. (1857, capital \$100,000. Closed in 1863.)

72. \$5. C., milkmaid, two cows. R., FIVE, 5 above and below. L., girl shading her eyes, 5 above.
 73. \$10. C., Liberty seated beside shield; State arms left. R., boy's portrait, 10 above. L., TEN, X above and below.
 74. \$20. C., State arms. R., portrait of young lady, 20 above. L., farm scene, XX below.
 75. \$20. Similar to No. 74, excepting XX in red. 1856.

Central Bank of Tennessee, Branch.



No. 76.

76. \$5. C., male portrait. R., equestrian statue of George Washington, 5 above. L., soldier returning from the Mexican War greeting wife and child, 5 above, 5 below. FIVE in red. 1855.
 77. \$10. C., title. R., colored boy, two horses, cotton fields in distance, 10 above. L., drummer boy and two soldiers, 10 above. TEN in red. 1855.

Dandridge Bank. (1857, capital \$50,000.)

78. \$1. C., cattle, etc. R., Commerce seated on bale, 1 above. L., locomotive, ONE on 1 above.

79. \$2. C., farm scene. R., Liberty, eagle and shield on rock in sea, 2 above. L., milkmaid, 2 above.
 80. \$5. C., State House. R., portrait of Clay, 5 above. L., male portrait, 5 above and below.
 81. \$5. Similar to No. 80, excepting FIVE in slate. 1854.
 82. \$10. C., two allegorical figures representing Commerce and Agriculture. R., X, 10 above. L., Indian maid, 10 above.
 83. \$20. C., Ceres, XX left. R., figure volant, holding frame containing 20. L., Ceres seated on plow, 20 above.
 84. \$20. Similar to No. 83, excepting black and red print. 1854.

DRESDEN.

Bank of America, Branch. (1857, capital \$100,000.)

FAYETTEVILLE.

Bank of Fayetteville.

85. \$5. No description.

Franklin and Fayetteville Bank.

FRANKLIN.

Franklin Bank.

Franklin and Fayetteville Bank.

Planters Bank of Tennessee, Branch. (1857, capital \$100,000.)

GALLATIN.

Nashville Bank, Branch.

86. \$5. C., allegorical figure, ship in background, 5 each side. R., NASHVILLE across. L., FIVE across. 1818.

GREENVILLE.

State Stock Bank. (In business in 1857.)

87. \$5. C., hunter shooting deer. R., Ceres, 5 above. L., 5, V above.
 88. \$5. Similar to No. 87, excepting background red-cycloidal. 1857.
 89. \$10. C., reaping scene. R., two cherubs with sheaf, purse and wand, 10 below. L., 10, girl below.
 90. \$10. Similar to No. 89, excepting background red-cycloidal. 1857.
 91. \$20. C., title, anchor, wheel and plow below. R., Indian maid, 20 above. L., passenger train, 20 above.
 92. \$20. Similar to No. 91, excepting background red-cycloidal. 1857.

JACKSBORO.

Bank of Hobson and Wheless.

93. \$10. C., title. R., State arms. R., portrait of Hobson.
 94. \$20. C., portrait of Hobson. R., State arms. L., farmer plowing.
 95. \$50. C., portraits of Hobson and Wheless. R., State arms. L., man on horseback.

(Red overprint covering notes.)

JACKSON.

Union Bank of Tennessee, Branch.

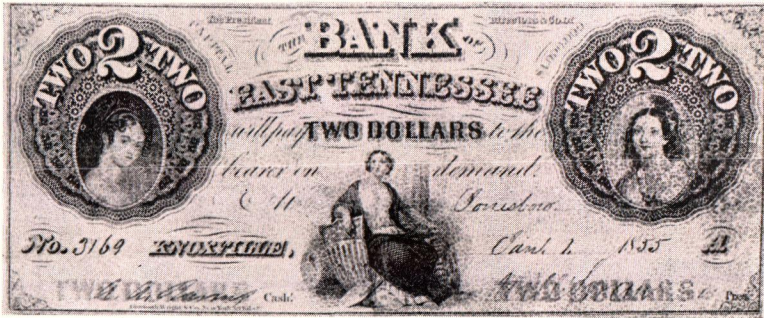
(Reorganized the Branch in 1856. 1857, capital \$100,000.)

JONESBORO.

Bank of East Tennessee, Branch. (In business in 1854.)

96. \$1. C., title, passenger train below. R., portrait, 1 above. L., ONE, Ceres beside ornamental 1 above. 1854.

97. \$1. Similar to No. 36. 1855.
 98. \$2. C., mechanic, ship and train on right, Ceres and Commerce above. R., 2 below. L., TWO below. 1854.



No. 99.

99. \$2. Similar to No. 37. 1855.
 100. \$3. C., 3 on lathework die, Ceres right, 3 below. R., portrait, 3 below. L., Justice, III below. 1854.
 101. \$3. Similar to No. 38. 1855.
 102. \$5. C., portrait of Washington, flags, cannons, guns each side. R., train, FIVE above and below. L., portrait, 5 above, FIVE below. 1854.
 103. \$5. Similar to No. 39. 1855.
 104. \$5. Similar to No. 40. 1854.
 105. \$5. Similar to No. 41. 1855.
 106. \$10. C., allegorical representation of Agriculture and Commerce, X right, 10 left. R., portrait of Washington, 10 above, TEN below. L., TEN across. 1854.
 107. \$10. Similar to No. 42. 1855.
 108. \$20. Similar to No. 43. 1854.
 109. \$20. Similar to No. 44. 1855.

Bank of the State of Tennessee, Branch. (First Bank.)

Gammon (William G.), Banker.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Change in the 1934 Quarter Dollar

The current quarter dollar, of which some two million pieces have already been struck, appears in two dies, the difference being slight, but easily detected by the numismatist. The issue appeared early in June, and is one of a few issues to be circulated so soon after striking.

The first coins turned out are similar to the issue of 1932 in that the motto "In God We Trust" on the obverse is so lightly cut in the die as to appear somewhat shadowy on the coin. The later dies used have this motto greatly strengthened, the difference being easily noted without the aid of a glass. Indeed, so faintly struck is the motto on the 1932 and some of the 1934 coins that by running the finger nail across the surface of the letters little relief is detected. On the re-engraved die of 1934 a sharp difference will be noted if this test is applied.

There are those who will argue that this is merely a fresh die, but examination of a large number of strictly uncirculated specimens shows that there is no reason to believe that the die would wear in this particular spot and not in any other part where fine lines and devices were engraved. Since all specimens examined were uncirculated, and the differences so

marked, it is thought that the mint authorities have taken steps to make the coin more satisfactory.

Low-relief lettering has been the curse of at least two well-known American coins, the Peace dollar of the 1922-1928 type and the Sesquicentennial half dollar, the Peace dollars being especially poor in lettering. It is fortunate that the current and future striking of the Washington quarter dollar have been spared this fate.

And then again, since the Administration has been so successful (?) in its recovery program, perhaps they have seen fit to reaffirm or strengthen their belief in the well-known motto used on our coins, now that the worst is over!

ROBERT H. LLOYD.

North Tonawanda, N. Y., June 20, 1934.

The Manly Medal of George Washington

To many collectors it is supposed that Manly made this medal; but such is not the case. John Manly and his associates, Robert Patton, the Philadelphia post-master, and Peter Prynberg, of Wilmington, were evidently the instigators for its issuance. The illustration here shown was taken from *The Freeman's Journal* or *The North American Intelligencer* of March 10, 1790, published in Philadelphia, and shows the terms and conditions of sale. Many Philadelphia merchants sold these to their correspondents throughout the country, as shown by their account books and letter books, consequently the medals had quite a wide circulation.

Samuel Brooks, a goldsmith and seal cutter, of 29 South Front Street, Philadelphia, cut the dies, and his name appears under the shoulder on the obverse, while J. MANLY & C. on the lower edge of the reverse is indicative of those who issued the medal. As the medals were first cast and then struck, sometimes the small names of the die cutter and Manly do not always come out clearly.

As this was an unusual method of disposing of medals in the eighteenth century, the advertisement may be of interest to some present-day collectors.

George J. Osborne, who kept a book store at Newburyport, Mass., advertised in the *Impartial Herald*, No. 208, February 23, 1796, as follows: "A beautiful variety of Medals, among which are the likeness of President Washington, Doctors Priestly and Price, and a few Masonic devices." Undoubtedly this, too, was the Manly medal of Washington.

HARROLD E. GILLINGHAM.

Philadelphia, Pa.

(Illustration on opposite page)

THE DOLLAR BECOMES LEGAL TENDER IN VIRGIN ISLANDS.

The United States dollar became legal tender in the Virgin Islands for the first time on July 2. Although the United States purchased the islands seventeen years ago, the official currency has remained in terms of the 100-bit franc circulated by the National Bank of the Danish West Indies, whose right of issue was recognized in the purchase convention with Denmark. It is the first conversion of currency to occur anywhere under the dominion of the United States in at least thirty-five years, and it will adjust the anomalous position of the dollar. For the first time Governor Paul M. Pearson will be able to make out the annual budget in United States money.

NEW PAPER MONEY IN CIRCULATION.

New silver currency began moving into actual circulation through the Treasurer's office on August 4. This will be followed by distribution through the Federal Reserve Banks as production of the certificates increases. Already engraved is \$24,400,000 of \$1 and \$5 bills, to be followed soon by tens, twenties and hundreds, backed by bullion.

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Subscriptions will be received at Wilmington by Mr. PETER PRYNBERG; or any gentleman may have any number of medals sent to any part of the continent, by sending his order and remittance for the same, to J. MANLY, to the care of ROBERT PATTON, Esq. Post-master, Philadelphia.

C O P Y.

WE, the undersigned, have seen the medal of General Washington, and think it a strong and expressive likeness, and worthy the attention of the citizens of the United States of America.

THOMAS MIFFLIN,

Governor of the State of Pennsylvania.

RICHARD PETERS,

Speaker of the House of Assembly.

CHRISTIAN FEBIGER,

Treasurer of the State.

FRANCIS JOHNSTON,

Colonel of the late American Army.

Philadelphia, February 22, 1790.

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Editorial Comment—Numismatic News

COIN EXHIBIT AT MARSHALL FIELD & CO.'S STORE.

The retail store of Marshall Field & Co., of Chicago, had a large collection of moneys of the world on exhibit for two months this summer. The material on exhibit was loaned by the Chase National Bank and Perera & Co., of New York.

About half of the exhibit was made up of current coins of nations of the world. These occupied sixteen cases in the south end of the exhibit room. A case containing curious primitive forms of money attracted considerable attention. The case contained tea money from Manchuria, feather money from Mexico, bread money from the Siwash Indians, wampum, and various forms of bead and shell money.

Another case showed about 125 pieces of emergency scrip issued during the recent depression, while Confederate, Colonial and fractional currency notes made up another portion of the exhibit. There was quite a large variety of broken-bank bills and Civil War scrip on display, which contained many scarce early Illinois bills. One case contained a large frame which contained a fine type collection of American coinage.

On display also were photostat copies of some famous checks. Among these were the oldest known check, the smallest check, the largest check, and the check given Lindbergh for his trans-Atlantic flight.

The exhibit was in charge of Mrs. B. Barker, of the Field company, who acted as hostess. During the period of the exhibit there were 43,000 visit-

ors. The exhibit was such a success and attracted so many visitors that a similar exhibit may be attempted next year. R. E. D.

NUMISMATIC SOCIETY OF SKANE MEDAL.

The courtesy of Messrs. C. C. Sporrang & Co., Stockholm, Sweden, enables us to illustrate the first (1934) membership medal of the Numismatic



Society of Skane, Sweden, full details of which will be found on page 414 of the June issue of *The Numismatist* under "Medallic Art Society in Sweden." J. deL.

THE SILVER SITUATION.

The following summary of the present silver situation, by Nathan Robertson, Associated Press staff writer, appeared in the press August 11:

Silver at \$1.29. Silver at 50 cents an ounce. Seignorage. What is it all about? The most confusing thing about the silver problem in its present important but complicated status is the variety of prices attached to the metal.

Silver as a commodity, or in bullion, is now valued on the world's markets at about 50 cents an ounce. The Government is paying that for the metal it is buying through nationalization and otherwise, with one exception. It is paying 64½ cents an ounce for newly minted domestic silver.

By law, however, silver is valued at \$1.29 cents an ounce. Therefore, when the Government buys silver for 50 or 64½ cents an ounce, it immediately places a monetary value on it of \$1.29 cents. The difference is known as seignorage, or a profit that accrues to the Government. Under the silver law passed at the last session of Congress, the Treasury was authorized to buy great quantities of silver, with a view ultimately to having in the monetary system one dollar backed by silver for every three dollars backed by gold.

The law further required the Treasury to issue silver currency against the silver purchased up to the total of its cost, and gave it discretion to use all of the purchases to back new money. Thus, if under nationalization the Government buys 200,000,000 ounces of silver for \$100,000,000, it is required to issue silver money up to the total cost, \$100,000,000. But the Government would value the silver at \$258,000,000 and could issue certificates to the full amount if it desired. This is where the greatest possibility for inflation in this means can be found.

It is estimated if the Government buys enough silver to establish the one-to-three ratio with gold, it would have to acquire far more than 1,000,000,000 ounces. Were all this used to back new money, it would bring a silver currency issue of somewhere around \$1,500,000,000. So far the Treasury has announced it will go only as far as the law requires and issue silver money up to the cost of the new metal, on the new purchases. But the

latest Treasury decision was taken by observers as a suggestion that the more expansive policy may be adopted later.

The Treasury announced that on the free silver bullion it held prior to enactment of the new law, amounting to 62,000,000 ounces, it would issue silver certificates not up to the cost value, \$46,900,000, but up to the full monetary value, \$80,000,000. This in itself was a mere drop in the bucket except for any indication is might provide of future action. It was noted the Treasury statement said "for the present" currency would be issued only up to the cost of the new silver purchases.

AUSTRIA HAS NEW FIVE-SCHILLING COIN.

Part of Austria's "New Deal" is a new silver coinage, designed to emphasize the Christian character of the new regime supplanting the abolished democratic republic. The coins also embody a touch of monarchistic tradition. Each of the new coins carries on one side the new Austrian coat-of-arms, the double-eagle closely resembling the imperial double-eagle of Hapsburg days.

On the other side of the 5-schilling piece (roughly equivalent to the United States dollar in quoted value) is the Virgin Mary with the Christ Child. Encircling the Madonna are the words "Magna Mater Austriae" (Austria's Great Mother). The design is adapted from a Madonna in the historic Church of Mariazell, to which devout pilgrims have traveled for centuries. The new coins will be ready for distribution about July 31. —Associated Press Dispatch from Vienna.

TO MEMBERS OF BROOKLYN COIN CLUB.

During the lull of the summer months your officers have held several conferences in an effort to determine various ways to make our meetings more attractive to those who attend. It has been decided to offer, subject to the approval of the members, a definite program of papers and exhibits and a coin raffle or coin auction at each meeting.

Thus, our next meeting, which will be held September 12th, at the Clarendon Hotel, 284 Washington St., Brooklyn, N. Y., will offer papers and exhibits on the subjects of "U. S. Half Cents" and "Foreign Countries Beginning with the Letter A." We urge all our members to attend this meeting and we also extend invitations to all other interested collectors to attend.

W. R. TAIT, Secretary.

FIND OF COINS IN SWEDEN.

About 2000 Gottland (Swedish) and Danish silver coins of the late 1400s and early 1500s are reported found while plowing near Faro, Sweden. —Free trans. by J. DeL.

DENVER MINT TO BE LARGEST GOLD DEPOSITORY.

The amount of gold to be transferred by the United States Treasury Department from the San Francisco to the Denver mint, and the time and method of making the shipments, were carefully guarded secrets at the Denver conference of officials, says the Wall Street Journal. It is probable, however, that eventually the largest stock of gold coin and bullion stored in any one place will be housed in Denver.

While the transfer is ostensibly for the purpose of building a new mint in San Francisco and dismantling the present mint, there is reason to believe that the location of Denver on the interior far removed from both Atlantic and Pacific seacoasts is a factor. Preparations are being rushed for the construction of additional vaults at Denver to cost \$350,000 to \$450,000, but the transfers will not await their completion. It will be recalled that when President Theodore Roosevelt ordered a naval demonstra-

tion in the Pacific \$450,000,000 in gold was transferred to Denver from San Francisco at about the same time.

The new building at the Denver mint will have every known device which science has been able to invent for the nation's protection of its gold supply. These will include a device similar to X-ray machines which will disclose to guards whether a person entering the building has any firearms concealed about his person. Another will be an "electric ear" which will pick up the footsteps of every person approaching the mint and carry them to the guards. The mint building was closed while the conferences were in progress.

NEW COIN CLUB ORGANIZED IN PROVIDENCE, R. I.

You will be pleased to know that on June 22 we organized a numismatic club in Providence, R. I., to be known as the Coin Club of Rhode Island, with the following officers:

Horace M. Grant, president; Rhoda G. Packard, vice-president; Stephen C. Lyon, secretary; Harry L. Grant, treasurer; Ornam L. Patt, Jr., librarian.

The organization now consists of eleven members, and the prospects are for a healthy club this fall. My report will go to General Secretary Wilson within a few days. I am also hoping that I can send information regarding the two earlier clubs, long since passed out.

H. M. GRANT.

Providence, R. I., July 17, 1934.

NEW AUSTRIAN COINS TO BE MEMORIAL TO DOLFUSS.

Some 20,000,000 memorial two-schilling pieces bearing the head of the late Chancellor, Engelbert Dollfuss, will be issued in October, says the New York Times. Other new coins of half-schilling, one-schilling and five-schilling value are being placed in circulation this month.

Following the abolition by Dr. Dollfuss of parliamentary government in Austria, the schilling no longer bears a reproduction of the Austrian House of Parliament, but carries in its place the old Hapsburg double-headed eagle, which also appears on other coins.

CONGRESS OF BYZANTOLOGISTS IN SOFIA, BULGARIA.

The Archaeological Society of the Archaeological Museum of Sofia has invited the Byzantologists of all countries to meet in a congress which will be held in the first days of October next in Sofia. The visitors of this congress, which takes place every year in another city of importance, are interested principally in Byzantine coins and medals, but also in rings, crosses, weapons and different objects of the old Byzanz.

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CENTRAL NEW YORK NUMISMATIC CONVENTION.

The Syracuse Numismatic Association will be host to the Central New York numismatists at a convention to be held on Tuesday, September 25, 1934, at the Onondaga Hotel, Syracuse, N. Y. The program as scheduled includes a get-together, dinner to be served at 7 P. M., a coin display and an auction. Invitations have been extended to the Rochester Numismatic Association, Utica Coin Club, Cortland Coin Club and to collectors of Central New York.

ALL PRESENT OFFICERS OF A. N. A. REELECTED.

At the convention of the A. N. A. held in Cleveland, Ohio, August 18 to 23, all the present officers were reelected.



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APPOINTMENT OF DISTRICT SECRETARIES FOR THE A. N. A.

The list of District Secretaries for the A. N. A. is being revised and the above are the appointments made to the present. As additional appointments are made they will be included in the list.

American Numismatic Association

REPORT OF GENERAL SECRETARY.

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Applications for Membership.

The following applications have been received prior to August 10, 1934. If no objections are received prior to October 1, 1934, the applicants will become members on that date and their names will be published in the October issue of The Numismatist.

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Changes of Address.

C. L. Stooksberry, from 241 Spruce Street, Columbus, Ohio, to 1814 South Miller Street, Alliance, Ohio.

Rollo E. Gilmore, from 4243 Sheridan Road, Chicago, Ill., to 35 South Dearborn Street, Room 401, Chicago, Ill.

Ernest F. Slater, M. D., from U. S. Navy Recruiting Station, Post Office, New Haven, Conn., to Dispensary, Navy Yard, Boston, Mass.

C. Frank Bogert, from 7 Whittier Street, East Orange, N. J., to 2 Keer Avenue, Newark, N. J.

Kenneth H. Nauman, from 137 New Street, Hellerstown, Pa., to 108 Front Street, Hellerstown, Pa.

Walter F. Kaplan, from 940 Jackling Drive, Burlingame, Cal., to 610 West Santa Inez Ave., Hillsborough, Cal.

William H. Sheldon, M. D., from 950 East 59th Street, Billings Hospital, Chicago, Ill., to 88 Morningside Drive, New York, N. Y.

W. C. Sanders, from 44 Bishop Street, East Haven, Conn., to 73 Whitney Avenue, New Haven, Conn.

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Barney Bluestone, from 165 East Onondaga Street, Syracuse, N. Y., to 486 South Warren Street, Syracuse, N. Y.

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Gene Seligman, from 1518 Third Avenue, Seattle, Wash., to 403 New World Life Bldg., Seattle, Wash.

HARRY T. WILSON, General Secretary.

A complete report of the proceedings of the A. N. A. convention held in Cleveland, Ohio, August 18 to 23, will be published in next month's issue of The Numismatist.

Deaths

WALDO NEWCOMER.

Waldo Newcomer, for more than a quarter of a century one of the most active and prominent numismatists in the United States, died suddenly in Honolulu on July 29 of heart disease, from which he had recently suffered. For several years he had been spending his summer vacations in Honolulu. He was in his sixty-eighth year. Following the funeral service the body was cremated and the ashes sent to Los Angeles on the steamer Lurline. The ashes reached Baltimore on August 13.

For many years Mr. Newcomer had been one of Baltimore's leading citizens. His business activities were largely in banking circles, although he had been a director in numerous railroad, utilities and other corporations.



Waldo Newcomer.

In January, 1933, he resigned as chairman of the executive committee of the Baltimore Trust Company. His bank, the National Exchange, had been the nucleus from which the Baltimore Trust was formed after a series of consolidations.

During his years as a collector Mr. Newcomer had brought together one of the largest collections of coins ever formed in the United States. With possibly one or two exceptions his series of U. S. coins was complete. His collection of territorial or private gold and pattern coins was also remarkably complete. About three years ago he sold the U. S. portion of his collection. What disposition will be made of the balance has not yet been determined by the executors of his estate, the Safe Deposit and Trust Company and his son, Benjamin F. Newcomer.

During the summer of 1913, while the Newcomer family was out of town, thieves took all of his U. S. and territorial gold coins and a large part of

the U. S. silver, but did not take any of the early silver, his pattern coins nor foreign coins. The value of the coins taken amounted to \$30,000. A number of the stolen coins were recovered later and Mr. Newcomer replaced the missing ones by purchase, bringing the collection up to its original completeness.

He is survived by three children—Mrs. Victor P. Noyes, of Long Green, Baltimore county, Maryland; Mrs. Morris Keene Barroll, of Chestertown, Md., and Benjamin F. Newcomer, of Baltimore. His wife, the former Miss Margaret Vanderpoel, of Kinderhook, N. Y., died in 1920.

J. MILNOR BROWN.

J. Milnor Brown, of South Pasadena, Cal., died at his home Friday, July 27th, 1934. The funeral was held Tuesday, July 31st. Interment was in the new mausoleum in the Inglewood Cemetery.

Mr. Brown was one of the early members of the A. N. A., his number being 904. He was one of the organizers and a charter member of the California Coin Club, of Los Angeles, and for many years had been a member of the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society.

He was born in Bucks county, Pennsylvania, near Philadelphia, moving to California in 1894, where for many years he was identified with the assessor's and tax collector's offices in Los Angeles.

He was an ardent coin collector from childhood, receiving his first coin as a gift when a boy of 6, and in later years collecting quite extensively, being interested both in United States and foreign coins. Feeling the infirmities of age coming on, he had gradually been disposing of his collection, but his interest did not seem to wane even after he became quite feeble, and he enjoyed talking of numismatics and its activities almost to the last.

In the passing of Mr. Brown, Numismatics has lost an enthusiastic student and collector and one whose life has been materially brightened with its interests and pleasures.

ED M. LEE.

Meetings of Numismatic Societies and Clubs

DIRECTORY.

American Numismatic Association—Meets annually in convention. Harry T. Wilson, Secretary, 535 N. Sawyer Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

American Numismatic Society, New York City—Meets four times annually at its building, Broadway at 156th Street. Sydney P. Noe, Secretary.

Antiquarian and Numismatic Society of Montreal—Meets monthly at Chateau de Ramezay. Dr. A. H. MacCordick, Corresponding Secretary.

Atlanta Coin Club, Atlanta, Ga.—Meets first and third Tuesdays at the Y. M. C. A. W. J. Warner, Secretary, 1562 Westview Dr., S. W., Atlanta, Ga.

Boston Numismatic Society, Boston, Mass.—Meets monthly. Shepard Pond, Secretary, 258 Boylston Street, Boston, Mass.

Bronx (N. Y.) Coin Club—Meets fourth Wednesday of each month at East 148th Street Restaurant, just east of Third Ave., Bronx, New York City. F. S. Knobloch, Secretary, 1055 East 232d St., New York City.

Brooklyn Coin Club—Meets second Wednesday of each month. William R. Tait, Secretary, 586 Bay Ridge Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Buffalo Numismatic Association, Buffalo, N. Y.—Meets second and fourth Mondays at Central Y. M. C. A. Jack E. Bishop, Secretary, 318 Genesee Bldg., Buffalo, N. Y.

California Coin Club, Los Angeles, Cal.—Meets first Tuesday evening of each month. Sidney Haas, Secretary, 6421 Orange St., Los Angeles, Cal.

Chase Bank Coin Society, New York City—Meets third Monday of each month. R. W. Robinson, Secretary, 18 Pine Street, New York City.

Chautauqua Coin, Stamp and Curio Club, Jamestown, N. Y.—Meets second and fourth Wednesday evenings of each month at Hotel Jamestown. C. B. Sampson, Secretary, R. F. D. 1, Jamestown, N. Y.

Chicago Coin Club, Chicago, Ill.—Meets first Wednesday of each month at the Atlantic Hotel. R. E. Davis, Secretary, 1708 E. 69th St., Chicago, Ill.

Cincinnati Numismatic Association—Meets second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 8 o'clock P. M., Starrett's Netherland Plaza Hotel. S. E. Cor. Fifth and Race Streets. Chas. J. Thul, Secretary, 2631 Hemlock St., Cincinnati, Ohio.

Columbus Numismatic Society, Columbus, Ohio—Meets second Monday evening of each month at the Neil House. Oliver H. Griffin, Secretary, 2724 Westerville Rd., Columbus, Ohio.

Dallas Coin Club, Dallas, Texas—Meets third Thursday night of each month. W. V. Parker, Secretary, 6004 Lewis Street, Dallas, Texas.

Detroit Coin Club, Detroit, Mich.—Meets first and third Thursdays in the Detroit News conference room, Lafayette and Second Blvd. A. M. Livingston, Secretary, 3623 Brooklyn Ave., Detroit, Mich.

Heart of America Numismatic Association, Kansas City, Mo.—Meets second Monday of each month at Pickwick Hotel, Kansas City. Frank C. Ross, Secretary, 15 East 62d St., Kansas City, Mo.

New Jersey Numismatic Society—Meets second Thursday of each month at Downtown Club, 744 Broad St., Newark, N. J. Mrs. Gladys W. Nixdorf, Secretary, 11 Berkeley Road, Maplewood, N. J.

New York Numismatic Club, New York City—Meets second Friday of each month. F. C. C. Boyd, Secretary, 237 East 20th St., New York City.

Northampton Numismatic Society, Northampton, Mass.—Meets fourth Wednesday of each month at Y. M. C. A. Building. Elzear J. Paul-hus, Secretary, Northampton, Mass.

Northwest Coin Club, Minneapolis, Minn.—Meets third Tuesday of the month at Central Y. M. C. A. Lyman F. Johnson, Secretary, 15 S. Fifth St., Minneapolis, Minn.

Omaha Coin Club, Omaha, Neb.—Meets first Friday evening of each month at Omaha City Hall. A. J. Pilmaier, Secretary, 2108 S. 35th Ave., Omaha, Neb.

Pacific Coast Numismatic Society, San Francisco, Cal.—Meets last Wednesday of each month. Harvey L. Hansen, Secretary, 123 Greenbank Ave., Piedmont, Cal.

Pittsburgh Coin Club, Pittsburgh, Pa.—Meets second Thursday at Room 509, Downtown Y. M. C. A. Building, Third Ave. and Wood St. A. M. Barker, Secretary-Treasurer, 150 Morewood Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Rochester Numismatic Association, Rochester, N. Y.—Meets first and third Tuesday at Municipal Museum. Joseph B. Harzinski, Secretary, 9 Arlington St., Rochester, N. Y.

St. Louis Numismatic Society, St. Louis, Mo.—Meets monthly at Washington University. T. E. Duncan, Secretary, Washington University, St. Louis, Mo.

Springfield Coin Club, Springfield, Mass.—Meets second Wednesday of each month. E. J. Bigelow, Secretary, 396 Bridge St., Northampton, Mass.

The Numismatic and Antiquarian Society of Philadelphia, Pa.—Meets six times a year. January, February, March, April, November and December. Henry Paul Busch, Secretary, 1006 Spruce St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Syracuse Numismatic Association, Syracuse, N. Y.—Meets second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at the Onondaga Hotel. Paul S. Burns, Secretary, 2012 James St., Syracuse, N. Y.

Washington Numismatic Society, Washington, D. C.—Meets second Tuesday of each month at Strong John Thomson School, Twelfth and L Sts., N. W. Frederic E. Hodge, Corresponding and Recording Secretary, 136 Bryant St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

Westchester County (N. Y.) Coin Club—Meets third Monday of each month at the Roger Smith Hotel, White Plains, N. Y. William S. Dewey, Secretary, 38 South Fifteenth Ave., Mount Vernon, N. Y.

Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society—Meets the first Tuesday of every month at the Carnegie Institute of Pittsburgh. A. C. Gies, Secretary, 6260 Frankstown Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Western Reserve Numismatic Club, Cleveland, Ohio—Meets second Wednesday of each month at the Allerton Hotel. Harley L. Freeman, Secretary, 1432 East 47th St., Cleveland, Ohio.

Youngstown Numismatic Club, Youngstown, Ohio—Meets third Friday of each month at the Home Saving and Loan Co., basement, corner Federal and Chestnut Streets. Frank W. Schilling, Secretary, 519 Garfield Ave., Youngstown, Ohio.

ROCHESTER NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION—512th meeting, July 3rd, President Foster presiding. The following members were present: Messrs. Harzinski, Amberg, Plumb, Foster, Sloane, Kolb, Potter, Horner, Sunday and G. J. Bauer. Visitors, J. B. Gilman and Mrs. C. M. Hart.

Plans were made for the second outing of the season, which was to be held on July 14th, at Mr. Potter's farm. All members were urged to attend.

President Foster then read a communication from Mr. H. J. Kaufman, who is spending the summer up at Deer Island.

The remainder of the evening was devoted to discussing the Centennial Hobby Show.

Mr. Sunday, chairman of the coin exhibit, told members of what plans were being made to put on an exhibit, and what support he expected from the members.

After the auction, which consisted of many choice pieces in proof, the meeting was adjourned.

ROCHESTER NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION—513th meeting, July 17th, President Foster presiding. The following members were present: Messrs. Harzinski, Plumb, Foster, Horner, Lindboe, Sloane, Liess, Moore, Potter, Amberg, Perry, Sunday, Bauer, Kolb and Gilman.

Communications were read from Mr. Spencer, of the Western Reserve Numismatic Club, urging all members and their friends to attend the A. N. A. Convention.

Speaker for the evening was C. C. Perry, who outlined the plans for the Centennial Hobby Show.

Mr. Bauer made a motion, which was unanimously carried, that the R. N. A. as a body place an exhibit at the show. Other motions were made, one to give the chairman full authority to select members to assist him at the Hobby Show and to advance \$5 for expenses.

A motion was also made to set aside the second meeting in August, as it would interfere with the A. N. A. Convention and the Hobby Show.

After the auction the meeting was adjourned.

ROCHESTER NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION—514th meeting, August 7, President Foster presiding. The following members were present: Messrs. Harzinski, Sloane, Webb, Horner, Peake, Plumb, Potter, Gillette, Foster, Woolsey, Kolb, G. J. Bauer, Amberg, Parker, Perry, Sunday and Mrs. C. M. Hart.

The Secretary read the following communications:

From the Buffalo Numismatic Association in reply to our invitation for their club at a joint meeting in Batavia, the date to be about the last Saturday in October; from the Syracuse Numismatic Association inviting the Rochester Numismatic Association in a joint meeting at the Onondaga Hotel, Syracuse, N. Y., September 25th; from the Department of Coins and Medals, British Museum, London, England, acknowledging with thanks the receipt of a 500th meeting token, and from Carl Raskin, of Dallas, Texas.

A bill was presented for flowers which were sent to Mrs. Woolsey. The bill was ordered paid.

Much discussion was then given to the final preparation of the Centennial Hobby Show.

A motion was made and carried that there would be no meeting on the first Tuesday in September, but that an outing would be held on August 25th, at Point Peak. All members were asked to attend.

Exhibits were as follows:

J. B. Harzinski: 32 pieces of commemorative silver.

G. A. Gillette: Colonial paper money.

After the raffle and auction the meeting was adjourned.

ATLANTA COIN CLUB—July 17. Vice-President Cate presiding. Others present were Messrs. Hardwick, Ketchum, Davis, Burns, Harper, Morgan, Nellis and Gonzales.

Mr. Cate's talk on numismatics and other interesting hobbies was well received.

Mr. Hardwick advised he would attend the convention next month in Cleveland, representing us. This was most gratifying, and we regret that force of circumstances prevents an invitation through him for the convention to meet in Atlanta in 1935.

BRONX COIN CLUB—11th regular meeting, July 25th, O. T. Sghia, president, presiding. The following members were present: Messrs. Clark, Dewey, Hentgen, Kennedy, Knobloch, Kortjohn, Lenker, Moss, Sghia, Stein, Van Der Meer and Werner. Our guests of the evening were: Mrs. Dewey, Mr. Wormser and Mr. Kraus.

Correspondence was read from Mr. Wormser concerning the coming A. N. A. convention in Cleveland.

An interesting paper, entitled "A Few Notes About the United States Twenty-Cent Pieces," was read by Mr. Kortjohn.

Mr. Lenker also read an interesting paper on the "1804 Dollar, King of American Rarities."

As the topic for the evening was "Coins of countries beginning with the letter I, medals of Napoleon and the twenty-cent series of the United States," the exhibits were as follows:

Mr. Clark: Iceland, India and 25 states, Indo-China, Ionian Islands, Ireland, Isle of Man, Italy and 16 states.

Mrs. Dewey: Copper and silver coins of Sardinia.

Mr. Dewey: 1934 official medal of the World's Fair; Lincoln medal containing the Gettysburg address. Talbot Allum and Lee cent and coins of India and Italy.

Mr. Hentgen: Medals of Napoleon, two medals of the Holland society, a medal of the daughter of Louis XIV, dated 1693, and a number of medals of Germany dated from 1500 to 1870.

Mr. Kennedy: Coins of Italy, India, Iceland and East India Co., medals of England, Charlotte and George III, William and Adelaide; two twenty-cent pieces.

Mr. Knobloch: A set of the coinage of the Irish Free State.

Mr. Kortjohn: A set of six twenty-cent pieces, 12 coins of Italy and a rupee of India.

Mr. Kraus: A set of 32 Presidential tokens.

Mr. Lenker: Coins of Italy, British India, India states and Ireland.

Mr. Moss: A watch chain of Chinese, English, French and German gold coins and a medal of Carl I of Roumania.

Mr. Sghia: Crown-size coins of Sicily, Papal, Tuscany and Venice.

Mr. Stein: Coins of the Ionian Islands, Italy and India.

Mr. Van Der Meer: Coins of Holland, India and Italy.

Mr. Wormser: Pioneer gold: \$10 Clark, Gruber, \$10 Baldwin & Co., \$10 Oregon Exchange Co., \$5 Norris, Griggs & Norris, \$5 Oregon Exchange Co., \$20 Clark, Gruber, and two early \$20 gold pieces dated 1796 and 1801.

A set of rules governing the sale of coins was submitted by the auction committee. This report was accepted, subject to amendment.

The club's emblem of Jonas Bronck was adopted and an electrotype will be made for the stationery.

It was decided that the topic for the next meeting is to be: Coins of countries beginning with the letter J, medals of Great Britain and the twenty-five-cent series of the U. S.

OMAHA COIN CLUB—Third regular meeting, August 3, in Omaha City Hall. Members present: Messrs. Thorson, Rath sack, Blaufuss, Smith, Cleland, Ford, Mead, Hendricks, Olds, Pierson, Moulten and Pilmaier. Also two visitors. President Thorson presided.

Mr. Hendricks furnished a display of large U. S. 1c. pieces, containing many proof and uncirculated. Mr. Hendricks presented each member present a medal of the Trans-Mississippi Exposition held in Omaha in 1898.

Mr. Thorson has never forgotten the members present at meetings, and this time the surprise was a medal commemorating the first flight of the Bremen, which has the three flyers on one side and the Bremen on the other.

Mr. Mead furnished a display of Canadian half and one cent pieces. I wonder if any other club has a member who drives 100 miles to attend his meetings. Well, the Omaha Club has, and that is Mr. Mead, of Ida Grove, Iowa, and he is always at the meetings. Therefore the meetings must be interesting for a man to sacrifice so much as to put in 200 miles on a round trip to attend them.

Mr. Cleland was on hand to furnish material for the auction, and also showed the number of stamps it took to send a letter to America from Russia when their money was at a low point. The stamps represented 200,000 rubles. I do not suppose very many letters were sent during that period.

Two new members were admitted to the club—Amer Lincoln, of Bradshaw, Neb., and Joseph E. Ward, of Lincoln.

A very large auction was held and bidding was spirited. Our president, Mr. Thorson, was chosen to represent the Omaha Coin Club at the annual convention to be held in Cleveland, Ohio, during August.

WESTERN RESERVE NUMISMATIC CLUB—162nd meeting, August 8, President Budde in the chair and 29 members and guests present.

The various convention committees gave final reports on their activities and the convention program to date.

Mr. Freeman was elected a special delegate to represent the Western Reserve Numismatic Club.

Mr. E. G. Peters was elected to membership.

Convention programs were distributed to all members present.

Each member then gave a brief resume of their exhibits, which were as follows:

J. J. King: Nine coins of the Stuarts, including siege pieces.

H. W. Walker: Two pieces of rubber money and a pocket counterfeit detector as described in a recent issue of *The Numismatist*.

A. P. Spencer: Bronze of Alexander the Great and silver tetradrachm of Lysimachus, his general, who became King of Thrace after Alexander's

death. Three specimens of Roman military coinage of the first century B. C., and silver denarius of the Valerian family.

H. D. Gibbs: 70 silver crowns of Austria, including the first dated dollar, 1486; 500 Austrian copper coins, all carefully mounted and attributed; Klingat Tribe, Alaska, huge copper plate 3 ft. x 2 ft., costing 3000 blankets; also a small plate (illustrated in *The Numismatist* in April, 1933) costing one blanket of the Haida Tribe. Mr. Gibbs accompanied his exhibit with a very interesting description of his coins.

Mr. Windau, who just returned from a trip to Mexico, exhibited copper and silver coins of Charles and Johanna, Mexico, about 1544, also a number of other Mexican items.

Dr. Y. A. Sargis: Panama-Pacific half dollar, 1820 quarter dollar, and various U. S. coins.

John W. Gregor: 1925 U. S. dime, showing partial impression of reverse on the obverse; 1934 U. S. quarters with numerous die breaks, and 1934 Maryland Tercentenary half dollar.

BUFFALO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION—166th meeting, July 9th. Meeting called to order by President Mosher. The following answered the roll call: Messrs. Becker, Lloyd, Hopkins, Mosher, Tracy, Draudt, Whittall, Taylor and Walker.

Robert E. Wolsley, 179 Wellington road, being recommended by the committee, was unanimously elected to active membership.

An auction followed the adjournment.

Exhibits were as follows:

Mr. Mosher: A series of Chinese cash mounted on board, fully described, making an interesting and meaningful display of this coinage.

Mr. Lloyd: Medal for the Sesqui-centennial of the Methodist Episcopal Church in America.

Mr. Whittall: U. S. silver dollars.

BUFFALO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION—167th meeting, July 23rd. Members present: Messrs. Becker, Hopkins, Lloyd, Tracy, Mosher, Draudt, Clark, Wolsley, Whittall, Taylor and Walker.

Letters read from the Rochester Numismatic Association, the Western Reserve Numismatic Club and Mr. Mosher.

There was discussion at length on the coming A. N. A. convention and a list was made of the probable attendants. The officers elaborated on details.

Mr. Lloyd commented on the proposed medals for members of Congress.

Exhibits were as follows:

Mr. Mosher: Chinese coins.

Mr. Lloyd: Canadian tokens.

Mr. Hopkins: Decorations.

Auction followed the adjournment.

SYRACUSE NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION—48th meeting, June 26, Robert G. Evans, president, presiding. Members present were Messrs. Lewis, Burns, Clarke, Bluestone, Korb, Moses, Donlon, Evans and Gumaer. Visitors from Cortland, N. Y., were J. W. Rolfe, A. Seymour and John Tucci; from Boston, Mass., Leonard Burns.

An enthusiastic discourse was had on the Central New York Numismatic Convention now scheduled to be held on Tuesday, September 25, 1934, at the Onondaga Hotel, Syracuse, N. Y. William P. Donlon, president of the Utica Coin Club, and A. Seymour, acting president of the Cortland Coin Club, have promised to cooperate in making the convention a success.

Exhibits were as follows:

Mr. Rolfe: A choice collection of U. S. half dollars.

Mr. Tucci: Coins of the world, mostly silver.

Mr. Seymour: Choice fractional notes.

Mr. Clarke: Colonial notes.

Mr. Burns: Uncirculated large cents.

Mr. Evans: Uncirculated quarter eagles.

Mr. Bluestone: A silver denarii of Clodius Macer, Emperor of Africa, extremely rare, one other known, which is the museum in Philadelphia.

The meeting was adjourned, after which an auction was held and conducted by our auctioneer, Mr. Bluestone.

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1855 Fine, \$2.50. Ex. Fine	3.00	1884 Proof	7.50
1856 Fine, \$2.50. Ex. Fine	3.00	1885 Unc.	4.00
1856 Fine, \$2.50. Ex. Fine	3.00	1886 Ex. Fine, \$3.50. Proof	6.00
1857 Fine, \$2.50. Ex. Fine	3.00	1887 Ex. Fine, \$3.50. Proof	7.00
1858 Fine, \$3.50. Ex. Fine	4.50	1888 Ex. Fine, \$3.50. Unc.	4.50
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1847 O V. Fine	5.50	1894 Unc.	8.50
1854 Unc.	5.00	1895 Unc.	6.50
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"All right," returned the doughty New Englander, "but I'll roll a stone in your dooryard you won't get out." And straightway Wyeth drove on to a strategic spot on the Snake River, planting a trading post there and set up a rival business against the Rocky Mountain Fur Company. He named the post Fort Hall after the man who had backed his enterprise. Later the Hudson Bay Company, a British concern who wanted to keep Americans out of the Oregon territory, squeezed Wyeth into selling Fort Hall to them. In after years it played a great part as a way station to Oregon and California.

This year thousands of people will commemorate its founding

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The second centennial it commemorates is the founding of old Fort Laramie in what is now Wyoming. Milton Sublette with his brother Captain "Billy" Sublette and Campbell—planted this trading post out there at the junction of the North Platte and the Laramie rivers in 1834. No other post is better known than this pioneer Fort Laramie. Hundreds of thousands of American pioneers made it a way station on their trek West.

A third event being remembered this year is the pioneer missionary venture into the far West. It was headed by the intrepid Jason Lee, a minister of the Methodist faith. The mission was brought about as a response to the call of the Indians for the "White Man's Book of Heaven." Several Indian Chiefs had come more than two thousand miles out of the Northwest to General Clark in Saint Louis with the request for the gospel message. Jason Lee and his brother Daniel with others responded to the call.

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